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## PROMOTING THE UNIVERSITY

The University Marketing and Creative Services department has been creating promotional items and editing written materials in order to market opportunity at Eastern.

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## DOMINATION

The Eastern men's basketball team beat Fontbonne University with a score of 90-37 on Tuesday in Lantz Arena.

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## Student Senate to vote on BLM flag resolution

By Analicia Haynes  
Editor-in-Chief | @Haynes1943

The Student Senate will approve one of four resolutions pertaining to the Black Lives Matter flag initiative 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Senate members will also elect a new speaker of the senate for the spring semester.

The four different resolutions, introduced to the Student Senate at its Nov. 28 meeting, were to either endorse the initiative, not endorse it, elect to remain neutral on the matter or offer alternatives to that are more inclusive of Eastern's diverse community and student body.

Morgan Colvin, a junior political science major, and Keshyra Bluminberg, a junior English secondary education major, started the initiative by creating a petition online that called for the raising of the Black Lives Matter flag on campus.

If approved by Eastern's administration, the flag would be raised underneath the American flag in the South Quad during African American Heritage Month in February.

Colvin and Bluminberg presented this proposal to the student government on Oct. 31, and the primary purpose of the initiative, according to the resolutions, is to "demonstrate support to African-American students within the Eastern community who face everyday struggles and to give students a sense of inclusion on Eastern's campus."

Alicia Matusiak, the vice president of student affairs, drafted the resolutions based on feedback she received from key groups on campus such as the Black Student Union, the Latin American Student Organization and members of Greek Life and from other students on campus.

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## We are loyal EIU



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Dakota Crowder, a junior early childhood education major, puts up a poster of the Eastern Fight Song's lyrics Tuesday afternoon in Taylor Hall. Crowder said she works for Housing and Dining Services as a marketing associate.

## Volunteers wanted to help with Christmas giving event

By Mercury Bowen  
Entertainment Reporter | @DEN\_News

The Office of Civic Engagement and Volunteerism will need volunteers to help One Stop Community Christmas provide new household items for more than 945 families Saturday at Lakeland College.

Beth Gillespie, the interim director of civic engagement, said the purpose of One Stop Community Christmas is to make December brighter for entire families.

"(The event is) not just focused on putting gifts under the tree for kids," Gillespie said.

Crystal Brown, the assistant director of civic engagement, said the event will provide items food stamps do not buy, such as toiletries and cleaning supplies.

"Every family also gets a meal basket based on their household size," Brown said. "A family of four is walking away with about \$250 worth of items to help their family."

The event also serves families across seven counties, Gillespie said.

"We know that fifty percent of the families that we serve come from Coles County," Gillespie said. "They are our neighbors, our friends, people that we interact with all the time."

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## Trivia night to benefit local food pantries

By Analicia Haynes  
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The Office of Civic Engagement and Volunteerism will host a trivia night Wednesday as its final event for Hunger Action Month.

Trivia night will be at the Brick House, located at 920 W. Lincoln Ave. in Charleston.

Doors open at 6 p.m. with trivia starting at 6:30 p.m.

Beth Gillespie, the director of the Office of Civic Engagement and Volunteerism, said people can participate in teams of up to eight people or if someone is "supper good" they can be a team of one.

Gillespie said the winner or winners will receive a \$100 gift certificate to the Brick House.

It is \$10 per person to attend Trivia Night, and Gillespie said all the proceeds from the event go to the local food pantries.

Anyone can attend the event, and Gillespie said by hosting it at the Brick House, more members of the community including those who regularly attend the trivia night will come out to support the program.

"It's a fun night of doing something different while also making a difference," Gillespie said.

Overall, Gillespie and Crystal Brown, the assistant director of the Office of Civic Engagement and Volunteerism, said they are hoping to get as many people as possible.

Brown and Gillespie said even if they only get 10 people to attend at \$10 per person, which equals \$100, they can turn that \$100 into \$1,000 because of how far they can stretch \$100 at the food bank in Champaign.

Gillespie said food pantries are important



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Teriq Phillips, a freshman business management major, throws a pie at Matthew Wright, the director of football operations, in November 2018 at Pie a Celeb in the Library Quad. Pie a Celeb was a part of Hunger Action Month. Trivia night, which will be held at the Brick House on Wednesday, will be the last event of Hunger Action Month.

year-round but especially during the holiday season.

"Families are already making tough decisions on where their money goes... on top of holiday costs," Gillespie said. "Places like the food pantry helps ensure people in our community are fed."

Gillespie encourages people to attend the Trivia Night because it is almost like giving up one meal out or two coffees from Starbucks in order to help a good cause.

As for Hunger Action Month in general, Brown and Gillespie said it was a successful year.

They said it is hard to compare this year to last year, but they know that students are more involved and paying attention to hunger insecurities on campus.

However, Brown said looking ahead to next year they will work on expanding upon what they already have and building more relationships on campus.

Alex Martens, a grad assistant in the Office of Civic Engagement and Volunteerism and the person who coordinated Hunger Action Month, said there are several events he wants to keep for next year including the "Price is Right" game.


He also said a goal for next year is to work on the relationship with the Health Education Resource Center and maintain the ongoing relationship they have with groups such as EIU Athletics.

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Local weather

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THURSDAY



Snow Showers  
High: 35°  
Low: 18°

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Illinois looks to its past, future amid 200th birthday party

CHICAGO (AP) — Illinois Gov.-elect J.B. Pritzker says the state’s best days are ahead as he helped celebrate Illinois’ 200th birthday at a gala celebration in Chicago.

The Illinois Bicentennial party took place Monday night at Navy Pier.

Pritzker told the crowd it’s a time to “celebrate the 200 years of progress that we’ve made” while noting: “Our best days are yet to come in Illinois.” He thanked Gov. Bruce Rauner for his service to the state, though they didn’t appear on stage at the same time during the celebration.

Rauner says it’s been humbling to serve as governor, saying the celebration was an opportunity to come together as “one people, as one state.”

The politicians’ appearances came after a November election that saw Democrat Pritzker defeat Republican Rauner following a bitter campaign.

House GOP campaign arm targeted by ‘unknown entity’ in 2018

WASHINGTON (AP) — Thousands of emails were stolen from aides to the National Republican Congressional Committee during the 2018 midterm campaign, a major breach exposing vulnerabilities that have kept cybersecurity experts on edge since the 2016 presidential race.

The email accounts were compromised during a series of intrusions that had been spread over several months and discovered in April, a person familiar with the matter told The Associated Press. At least four different party aides had their emails surveilled by hackers, said the person, who was not authorized to discuss the details publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

The committee said an “unknown entity” was behind the hack but provided few other details. A cybersecurity

firm and the FBI have been investigating the matter, the committee said. The FBI declined to comment.

Politically motivated cyberespionage is commonplace across the world, but Americans have become particularly alert to the possibility of digital interference since Russia’s meddling in the 2016 election. The theft of Democrats’ emails is still fresh in the minds of many political operatives and lawmakers, who have stepped up defensive measures but still struggle to protect themselves.

Foreign spies routinely try to hack into politicians’ emails to gain insight, ferret out weaknesses and win a diplomatic edge. But hackers often launch sweeping spear-phishing campaigns to gain access to a variety accounts — with no political motivation. With no immediate suspects and few technical details, it’s unclear what the significance of this latest incursion is.

Mueller to detail ex-NSA Flynn’s cooperation in Russia probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Special counsel Robert Mueller is set to give the first public insight into how much information President Donald Trump’s former national security adviser has shared with prosecutors in the Russia investigation.

The special counsel faces a Tuesday deadline in Michael Flynn’s case to file a memorandum recommending a sentence and providing a federal judge with a description of how valuable the retired U.S. Army lieutenant general has been to the probe. The deadline comes ahead of Flynn’s Dec. 18 sentencing and more than a year after he pleaded guilty to lying to the FBI about reaching out to Russian government officials on Trump’s behalf.

Federal sentencing guidelines recommend between zero and six months in prison for Flynn, leaving open the possibility of probation.

The detailing of at least some of Flynn’s cooperation also comes as Trump has increasingly vented his anger at the probe — and at one of his former confidantes who cooperated with it.

This week, Trump lashed out at his former legal fixer, Michael Cohen, saying he is making up “stories” to get a reduced prison sentence after his latest guilty plea to lying to Congress detailed conversations he had with the then-Republican presidential candidate. In the same morning, Trump praised longtime confidante Roger Stone for saying he would “never testify against Trump,” adding in his tweet: “Nice to know some people still have ‘guts!’”

It’s unclear if Trump will now turn his fury on Flynn, who Trump grew close to during the 2016 campaign and has drawn the president’s sympathy since he came under investigation.

According to memos written by former FBI Director James Comey, Trump tried to protect Flynn by asking Comey to let the investigation into his false statements go. Trump has denied asking Comey to drop the investigation but that episode is among those under scrutiny by Mueller as he probes whether Trump attempted to obstruct the Russia investigation.

After CIA briefing, senators lay blame on Saudi crown prince

WASHINGTON (AP) — Breaking with President Donald Trump, senators leaving a briefing with CIA Director Gina Haspel on Tuesday said they are even more convinced that Saudi crown prince Mohammed bin Salman was involved in the death of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Bob Corker, R-Tenn., said he believes if the crown prince were put on trial, a jury would find him guilty in “about 30 minutes.”

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., who demanded the briefing with Haspel, said there is “zero chance” the crown prince wasn’t involved in Khashoggi’s death.

“There’s not a smoking gun. There’s a smoking saw,” Graham said, referring to reports from the Turkish government that said Saudi agents used a bone saw to dismember Khashoggi after he was killed in the

Saudi consulate in Istanbul. Graham said “you have to be willfully blind” not to conclude that this was orchestrated and organized by people under the crown prince’s command.

Trump has equivocated over who is to blame for the killing, frustrating senators who are now looking for ways to punish the longtime Middle East ally. The Senate overwhelmingly voted last week to move forward on a resolution curtailing U.S. backing for the Saudi-led war in Yemen.

It’s unclear whether or how that resolution will move forward. The vote last week allowed the Senate to debate the measure, which could happen as soon as next week, but senators are still in negotiations on whether to amend it and what it should say.

White House intensifies confusion and fear on US-China deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Trump administration raised doubts Tuesday about the substance of a U.S.-China trade cease-fire, contributing to a broad stock market plunge and intensifying fears of a global economic slowdown.

Investors had initially welcomed the truce that the administration said was reached over the weekend in Argentina between Presidents Donald Trump and Xi Jinping — and sent stocks up Monday. But on Tuesday, after a series of confusing and conflicting words from Trump and some senior officials, stocks tumbled, with the Dow Jones shedding about 800 points, or 3.1 percent.

White House aides have struggled to explain the details of what the two countries actually agreed on. And China has not confirmed that it made most of the concessions that the Trump administration has claimed.

“The sense is that there’s less and less agreement between the two sides about what actually took place,” said Willie Delwiche, an investment strategist at Baird. “There was a rally in the expectation that something had happened. The problem is that something turned out to be nothing.”

TODAY ON CAMPUS

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Booth Library | Open 8:00 AM - 1:00 AM

MLK Jr. Student Union | Open 7:00 AM – 11:00 PM

Early Bird Yoga | 7:00 - 7:45 AM | Dance Studio, Student Rec Center

Rise and Grind | 8:00 - 8:45 AM | Synergy Studio, Student Rec Center

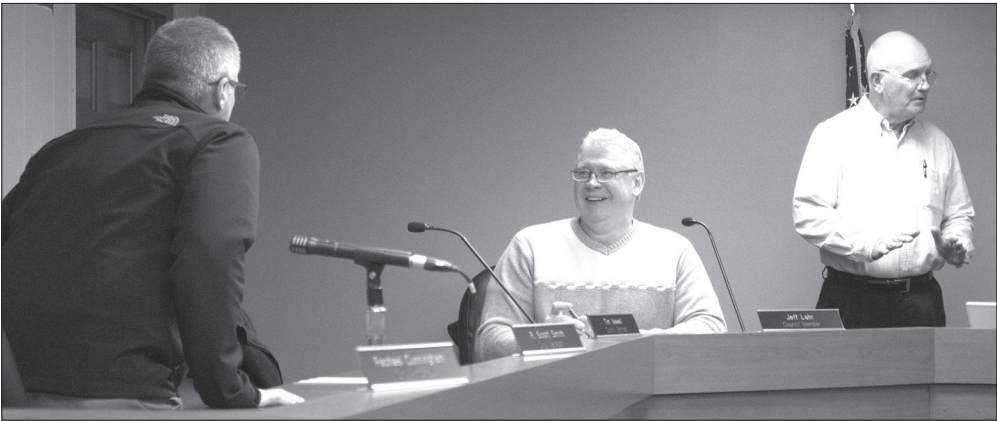
Panther Power | 5:00 - 6:30 PM | Synergy Studio, Student Rec Center

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New and brilliant addition to Eastern Illinois University's music faculty as piano instructor, Dr.

Victor Cayres performs an evening of beautiful and captivating music.





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Council member Jeff Lahr talks with City Manager Scott Smith before the Charleston City Council meeting Tuesday. Smith first began work as the Charleston city manager in 2003.

# City Council approves annual tax levy for FY19

By Corryn Brock  
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The Charleston City Council approved the annual property tax levy along with four resolutions. The 2018 grand total tax levy is \$4.8 million. A public hearing over the levy will not be necessary under the Truth in Taxation law. The law “requires a taxing district to compare the amount of its proposed aggregate property tax levy to the amount of taxes extended for the district in the prior year. A notice must be published in a newspaper and a public hearing must be held if the proposed aggregate tax levy is more than 5 percent greater than the previous year’s tax extension,” according to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. The City of Charleston’s Truth in Taxation increase was 4.98 percent. The council approved amendments to the intergovernmental agreement between the City of Charleston and the City of Taylorville. The City of Charleston currently provides ambulance billing services for the City of Taylorville for a fee of \$25 per claim; the fee will now be increased to \$30. This increase is due to the City of Taylorville requesting more record-keeping services from the City

of Charleston. According to Mayor Brandon Combs, once the City of Taylorville passes their ordinance the intergovernmental agreement will be extended from April 30, 2020 to April 30, 2021. The council authorized the execution of a \$15,000 contract with Variety Attraction for entertainment for Red, White and Blue Days that will be on July 3, 2019 at Morton Park. John Michael Montgomery will be performing for Red, White and Blue Days under the contract. The Charleston City Council meeting originally scheduled for Jan. 1, 2019 was rescheduled for Jan. 2. Olivia Meents, who represented student government, spoke to the council about the recent safety walk on campus. The findings from the walk will be presented during the Student Senate meeting Dec. 5. Combs said he is wishing Eastern students luck on upcoming finals. “It’s crazy that finals are next week. It seems like school just really started,” Combs said. “I do wish [Eastern students] good luck on finals and that they all have a good break.”

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# UMAC creating marketing materials for university

By Logan Raschke  
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The University Marketing and Creative Services department is active all around Eastern’s campus. UMAC designs and creates a number of promotional items, from the drawstring bags students receive at orientation to posters hanging on bulletin boards and banners illustrating new campus organizations. Director of marketing Stacia Lynch said UMAC plays a massive role in new student enrollment because something as simple as an intriguing flyer can influence a student to visit and eventually enroll at Eastern. “(We at UMAC) aren’t selling shoes, although there’s nothing wrong with selling shoes, we’re selling opportunity. We’re presenting opportunity to people who haven’t yet maybe put a name or a face to what it is they think they want to do in life,” she said. However, creating marketing materials to promote Eastern to prospective students is just part of what UMAC does, Lynch said. According to Eastern’s website, UMAC works with almost every area on campus to create marketing materials for departments, programs or organizations. Just a few examples of the materials UMAC designs and produces include postcards, brochures, social media posts, mailers and promotional materials, such as pencils, bags and notebooks, according to Eastern’s website. Lynch said students are also welcome to come to UMAC directly to ask staff for advice regarding marketing and design strategies or to help guide them through their own marketing endeavors. After marketing materials have been produced with UMAC’s help, the documents

can sometimes be printed and finished at the Panther Print and Copy center, Lynch said. While graphic design plays a huge part in UMAC’s day-to-day projects, editing written materials is something else they are tasked with doing for Eastern, Lynch said. To provide some context, Lynch said a good example would be editing the writing of a letter from school to be easier to read for students and families. “We may take something you might not even think about ... maybe it’s like a letter you get from financial aid, and maybe we work with financial aid to make sure the letter they’re producing speaks the type of language that people outside of the campus community can understand,” she said. “Our job, often times, is to translate what we know into what our prospective students and families need to know in a common language.” Lynch said UMAC acts like a mirror because above all, they reflect the best aspects of Eastern back onto the rest of the world, showing what the university and community has to offer. “We feel really passionate about accurately reflecting our community, our community members and the types of students that we know will be successful at Eastern,” Lynch said. Because UMAC creates marketing materials for so many different departments at Eastern, they get to work on interesting and different projects every day, Lynch said, which is one of her favorite parts of the job. She said another perk of her profession is getting to work on a campus with a good environment. Logan Raschke can be reached at 581-2812 or [lr Raschke@eiu.edu](mailto:lr Raschke@eiu.edu).

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STAFF EDITORIAL

# Don't ask for favors if you didn't help yourself first

Asking for favors is a timeless act that has been passed down for centuries.

Just about everyone asks for favors or the more contemporary term “solids,” and there is nothing wrong with that.

In fact, those of us who are gracious enough to grant these favors are blessings in disguise. Those of us who go out our way to make sure that a favor is completed to the utmost satisfaction of the person asking for it deserve a hero's ceremony because when it comes down to it, we don't have to do anything for anyone.

We don't owe anyone anything, but we do these favors for love, out of pity, because we care, the list goes on.

But that's the thing, isn't it? The reason why we go out of our way to help our peers, colleagues, loved ones. That very same reason, whatever it is, is taken for granted.

Several members on the edit board have complained about peers coming in the week before finals asking us for a “favor” to give them a story idea so they can publish something for class.

We have had professors explain at the start of every class that they will not offer extra credit especially to those who come begging for it a week before finals.

We overheard students asking for letters of recommendation the day they are due.

Now, we acknowledge that sometimes you forget when something is due or sometimes you don't realize or someone else forgot to tell you that the deadline was today (hypothetically speaking) and you need letters or references to finish an application or something. We get that, and we understand that there should be some consideration for those of you who are honest, and we aren't opposed to giving someone a “get out of jail free” card. Why? Because we have all been there.

However, it's one thing to ask someone for a favor and expect that person to come through for you after you neglected to pay attention to deadlines or neglected to show up to class or just didn't bother completing an assignment and procrastinated until a week before finals.

And at that point, those of us who have no problems doing favors in the first place, feel taken advantage of because it's assumed that we will bend over backwards to help someone when we ourselves are working to finish assignments, grading, whatever.

It's almost as if the responsibility that you had to finish something or to ask for a letter of recommendation or an extension suddenly becomes our problem, and if we don't help then we are painted as the bad guys.

There's a lesson to be learned here by both the person asking for favors and the person conducting favors.

Wise up.

As an independent human being, you should be able to prioritize, you should be able to show up to class, you should be able to write down your deadlines and complete them before the deadline.

Also, as a human being with the ability to say “No,” do not let people walk all over you, and stand your ground. Learn to assess the situation and determine if the person is genuine and needs a helping hand or if the person needs to learn a lesson of their own. Learn to say no, and defend your reasons.

Ultimately, don't ask for a favor if you didn't help yourself first.

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## When you can't stop buying gifts



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## Christmas decorating can be shocking

It is the holiday season, which means lights and decorations are everywhere, including in dorm rooms. My roommate and I have had Christmas decorations up since before we left for Thanksgiving break and added even more after we came back.

I love the holiday spirit that a lot of people get into this time of year. One way for people to express their holiday cheer is through decorations.

I used the same lights for my room this year that I have for many years in the past. Unfortunately, they quit working a few days ago when I went to plug them in, so I figured it was time to get some new ones.

I went to the store and got some new ones, and I brought them back to my room to plug them in. The room was dark without my lights on, so I tried to guide the plug into the outlet.

After struggling for a few seconds, I started to push the lights into the outlet when I felt a strong tingling sensation in my hand which then quickly traveled into my arm. I finished pushing the lights into the outlet. When I pulled away, I felt a zap.



KARENA OZIER

I had just shocked myself.

After getting over the fact that I had shocked myself, I looked back at my new lights. After staring at them for a few seconds I started to feel sick.

The lights appeared to pulsate in a way. I wasn't sure if it was just my eyes that were seeing it but when I asked my roommate, she said they were bothering her too.

We took a trip back to the store, and I exchanged the new lights for even newer lights. When we got back, I turned on the main light in our room so I could see what I was doing. I carefully plugged them in. These lights are much better.

As random as my shocking situation may sound, please be careful this holiday season. Decorations can be beautiful but also dangerous. Whether you are simply plugging new lights in, decorating something at a height or anything in between, just know that things can go wrong.

I am completely fine from being shocked, but there are even worse scenarios that other people have gotten into from decorating.

I should have turned on another light so I could see what I was doing, but I got too caught up in getting my side of the room to light up. I learned my lesson.

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## There are benefits to waking up early

I have recently started waking up at six in the morning—every morning.

I know, some of you may be absolutely mind-blown at the fact that someone (particularly a college student) actively wakes up at six a.m. every morning by choice.

But my simple reason is, I enjoy it. And I have learned to listen to my body, and my body tells me that I am a morning person.

Every morning when I wake up, I drink a glass of water and splash my face with some cold water (and a side note: I've been trying to make it a point to smile at myself every morning, the first time I see myself in a mirror). And then over the course of the next few hours, I take time out to do some things that I enjoy.

I'll take my dog out and if the weather is nice, go on a short walk with her.

I'll read and journal for a little while.

I'll stretch and maybe do a little bit of yoga.

I'll make coffee and something for breakfast.

And I feel so much better since I've started this routine. It helps me get ready for the day and acts as a de-stresser.



NATALEE REYNOLDS

I think it's vital to our mental health for all of us to find and make time in our day to do things we enjoy for ourselves. For me, that time of day is sunrise—not only is it literally the only time I have to do so throughout the day, but I think there's also something magical about watching the world come alive—and that's why I do it.

This semester, I have barely had time for myself—I'm taking eighteen credit hours, I hold four on-campus jobs, and I got a puppy and a house. So the small amounts of free time that I do have, I am typically

spending it either napping, going on Wal-Mart runs (because I have a habit of forgetting things, so I find myself going to Wal-Mart quite often), or working with and training my dog.

Obviously, I'm not the only one out there with a busy schedule—which is why I think it's so important for busy people especially, to make time in their day to do small activities to keep them sane.

Waking up early has literally changed my life. I'm less stressed out because I take the time to really allow my body to wake up. I'm happier throughout the day, because I take the time to do things that make me happy (reading, journaling, etc). I'm less hungry, because I take the time to make (a small) breakfast.

If you're unhappy with your life, or if you're constantly stressed out (which I know you are, because finals week is right around the corner), then I'm telling you to make the change now. I promise you it will improve every aspect of your life. You just have to decide to wake up and actually do it—your mind, body, heart, and soul will thank you.

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## Letter to the editor: Fly the BLM flag

On behalf of (the Black Student Union), we as an organization fully support the raising of the (Black Lives Matter) flag and what it represents.

Due to the recent events that have taken place around the world, we feel it is important that our people have a voice in these challenging times.

Controversial issues such as police brutalities, lynchings and disagreement over the kneeling situations are many examples we as a whole are facing.

Many people think it is unfair to focus on a specific group of people, as all lives are important, but not all lives are facing the oppression that African-Americans deal with today.

The flag is our voice and a symbol for fighting the oppression we face.

The leaders of this initiative, Keshyra Blumberg and Morgan Colvin, have nothing but our full support.

*Sincerely:  
Members of the Black Student Union*



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The event began eight years ago, when the leadership for several community-focused programs united to form One Stop Community Christmas.

“Over the last eight years we’ve served over 13,000 kids,” Gillespie said. “This year we have 2,280 kids that are a part of that 945 families.”

Brown said those wishing to volunteer and see the event in action are encouraged to do so.

“We are definitely still taking volunteers to work one of the tables and help give out those items,” Brown said. “Our most critical need is being a personal shopper, walking around with the families to each of those tables and making sure they get the right things based on what their household size is.”

Gillespie said the reason each family will have a personal shopper is because the process could be overwhelming.

“It just is a lot happening,” Gillespie said. “They’re getting so much stuff, so it can just be really overwhelming. Our personal shoppers are there to help be that cheerful, chatty, friendly face.”

Gillespie said the biggest need for personal shoppers will be between noon and 6 p.m.

“It takes over 800 volunteers to

make One Stop happen,” Gillespie said. “We’ll start serving families at 7:30 (a.m.) on Saturday morning and the last wave of families will come through at 5:30 (p.m.).”

Volunteers can choose to be at the event all-day or just for two hours.

“That’s kind of the challenge we give our students is to volunteer two hours a month to work toward the greater goal,” Gillespie said. “Like I spent a lot of time this weekend binge-watching things on Netflix. Everybody has two hours they can give in a month. It’s just about making doing something for somebody else a priority.”

Brown said her favorite part of the event is seeing things come full circle.

“A lot of our students whether it’s from Jumpstart service day or a student organization on campus or family weekend service day have made the fleece tie blankets through our office,” Brown said. “That is one of the tables that is happening at One Stop, so all those blankets they’ve helped us make, they can now see where it’s going and the impact it’s helping make in our communities.”

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Rebecca Cash, student body president, goes over appointments at the student government meeting in Oct. 2018. The meeting was held in the Arcola-Tuscola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

During the Nov. 28 meeting, Matusiak said the resolution is only a recommendation made on behalf of the student body, and the student government has no control over what the administration ultimately decides.

At an Oct. 31 Student Senate meeting, Colvin and Bluminberg said they do understand that the final decision is up to the administration but asked senators to be the voice for their constituents and show their support.

“A lot of people on this campus want this,” Colvin said at the Oct. 31 meeting. “You have to be able to speak and give that voice (to the students).”

As for speaker elections, the two candidates running are senators Tarvea Durant and Seth Yeakel.

Both Durant and Yeakel agreed that the first thing they will do if elected as speaker is to encourage more people to join student government and boost enrollment in Student Senate.

Student deans, something Carson Gordon, the vice president of academic affairs organized, will be sworn in during the meeting.

The deans will represent the four colleges on campus.

Shay Martin, a graphic design major, will be the student dean for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Kali Harris, a business administration major, will be the student dean for the Lumpkin College of Business and Technology; Claire Litzenburg and Jordan Thoele, elementary education majors, will be the student deans for the College of Education; and Sara Ferris, a family consumer sciences major with a focus in dietetics, will be the student dean for the College of Health and Human Services.

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# Animals up for adoption at shelter

By **Hannah Shillo**  
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The Coles County Animal Shelter holds plenty of adoptable animals who are ready to find their forever homes.

According to [www.colescountyanimalshelter.org](http://www.colescountyanimalshelter.org), the shelter picks up stray and injured animals and houses animals who are waiting either for their owners to claim them or for their new homes.

Jason Wallace is the assistant manager at the shelter, and he has worked there for 20 years.

“Our numbers have been really good the last couple of years,” he said.

Wallace said the shelter has held an ideal number of animals due to veterinarians from the University of Illinois helping out.

“We’ve been having the U of I come out here every week,” he said. “They do spays and neuters for us at low cost, and it’s finally paying off.”

Wallace said they have been doing the surgeries for several years, so there are fewer stray animals reproducing, therefore keeping the shelter animal numbers lower.

He said the shelter had previously been euthanizing around 200 dogs a year, but the last few years have been much better, with zero dogs euthanized in 2016 and three in 2017.

He said the Coles County community also plays a big part in the success of the shelter.

“We’ve been fortunate, and our community support is through the roof,” he said. “If we need something, we post about it and we get it.”

Because of the community support, Wallace said adoptions are way up compared to years before, and the shelter is now able to pull animals from other communities to avoid euthanasia. “Last year and the year before that was just amazing,” Wallace said. “I got goosebumps even thinking about it.”

Volunteers are also what helps the shelter stay on track, he said.

Wallace said volunteers can come in from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. every day except for “surgery days,” which are Thursdays and Saturdays.

“Just come in and sign in on the sheet,” he said. “If it’s your first time, we’ll be happy

to show you what’s going on.”

Many volunteers come in and walk the dogs or play with them in the rooms available at the shelter.

“The important reason (for volunteers) is to get the dogs out and get them walked,” Wallace said. “Get them exercised, because they can go kennel crazy.”

Wallace said dogs who go “kennel crazy” often become lethargic, or they can begin pacing, shivering or shaking and barking excessively, so volunteers are more than welcome to walk dogs in order to avoid any of that.

He said if people are wanting to help out but are not able to volunteer, the shelter will accept donations of any kind because they are usually able find a use for anything that is donated.

Wallace said adoptions at the shelter are increasing, especially during the holiday season.

“During Christmas, adoptions are up, but we don’t do gifts,” he said. “If you’re wanting to get a dog for your boyfriend, that’s fine, but your boyfriend needs to come in here and see what he is getting before he gets it. We don’t do surprises.”

Wallace said the reasoning for that rule is because animals need cared for and are not things that can be put in a closet and forgotten about.

Because of that rule, Wallace said the abandonment rate, especially after Christmas, is very low.

If someone is wanting to adopt an animal, Wallace said the process is usually simple, but a little research and preparation will be beneficial, especially for dogs.

“Research the breed of the animal that you’re getting, just because certain breeds are much more energetic,” he said. “Get your basics, learn how to housebreak.”

He said he has brochures of basic information on hand to give to people who have recently adopted from the shelter.

He said it is important, especially for college students, to make sure they are ready for the responsibility of owning a pet and planning for when students go home for breaks.

“If you have to go home,” Wallace said, “it’s important that you bring that pet home, too.”

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## The New York Times Crossword

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- ACROSS
- 1 \_\_\_ rug

5 Audibly horrified

10 Quarrel

14 Stephen King title about a dog

15 Cabaret show

16 A transcontinental traveler might go by this

17 Saint who lent his name to a Minnesota college

18 Justice Kagan

19 It's not a good look

20 Listings in the Internal Revenue Code

22 C.I.A. infiltrator during the Cold War

24 Part of I.P.A.

25 Sound at a séance

26 Savings for a rainy day

30 Not self-parked

34 Afore

35 A. A. Milne character

36 Drips in the O.R.

37 Biblical judge

38 Nabokov title

39 \_\_\_ turkey

40 Goddess: Lat.

41 Toward the most common part of a boat to fish from

42 Prize on “The Bachelor”

44 Wooden rod

46 Story of a lifetime, for short?

47 Public ruckus

49 P, for Plato

50 Like the ocean

51 Groups that typically meet weekly for lunch

54 Drug also called angel dust

56 Language spoken by Jesus

57 Lincoln or Ford

- 60 Visa alternative
- 62 Discovering the word at 67-Across, for this puzzle
- 63 Place underground
- 64 Pay (up)
- 65 Baltic capital
- 66 Animated film of 1998
- 67 Resting place hinted at by 28-, 5-, 45-, 9- and 31-Down, in that order
- 68 Oodles

- DOWN
- 1 Macbeth, e.g.

2 Dance with percussion accompaniment

3 Battler of Hector in the “Iliad”

4 Lose carbonation

5 “Do you still like me?”

6 Comes together

7 N.Y.C.’s Park or Fifth

8 Destroyed, as an armada

9 Walkway option in lieu of paving

10 \_\_\_ l’oeil (illusion)

11 Rival of Cassio, in Shakespeare

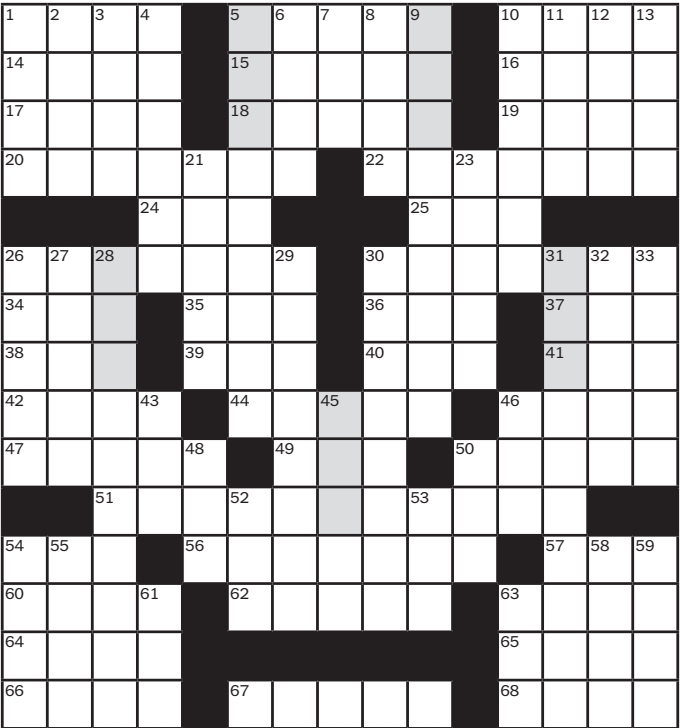
12 Truckload at a garbage dump

13 Get out of Dodge

21 Tip off

23 Material for Thor Heyerdahl’s Kon-Tiki

26 Becomes imminent



- PUZZLE BY BRUCE HAIGHT
- 27 Worker in a trauma ward, for short

28 Image on an ancient mariner’s map

29 Symbol of depravity

30 Security device, informally

31 Serving at a 4:00 social

32 Pixelike

33 Jingle, e.g.

43 “Music for Airports” musician

45 “What did I do to deserve this?”

46 Image on the king of clubs

48 When one is expected, for short

50 Tampa Bay pro, informally

52 It is “either plagiarism or revolution,” per Paul Gauguin

53 Be horizontal

54 \_\_\_ John

55 “You’re pulling my leg!”

58 Hit 2012 movie whose plot involves a plan to make a movie

59 House leader after Boehner

61 \_\_\_ Affair

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# Just 3 coaches remain with Eastern football

By JJ Bullock  
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It appears that an entirely new era of football is being ushered in at Eastern, as just three coaches from last season's staff remain after the non-renewal of head coach Kim Dameron's contract on Nov. 18.

Linebackers coach Adam Gristick, cornerbacks and special teams coach Alvah Hansbro and inside receivers coach Micah Smith are the three coaches that remain with the program.

The three coaches will remain on staff to help the program transition into its era with a new head coach and staff. When a new head coach is hired, all three coaches will have an opportunity to interview with the new head coach and remain on staff according to an email from Associate Athletic Director/Media and PR Rich Moser.

It would appear with just the three coaches remaining on staff that both offensive coordinator Scott Parr and defensive coordinator Cary Fowler tenures at Eastern are presumably done.

Moser said in the same email that athletic director Tom Michael will not be doing interviews about the coaching situation until a new head coach new head coach is selected.

Parr was at Eastern for just one season, and his time was relatively successful. Parr instilled an air-raid offense at Eastern built around transfer quarterback Johnathan Brantley and Harry Woodbery. Eastern was third in the Ohio Val-

ley Conference in scoring, averaging 32.5 points per game. That figure was up from 17.6 points per game the season before Parr took over.

Eastern's passing offense ranked first in the conference, putting up 309.3 yards per game, up from 165.5 yards per game in 2017.

Fowler is gone after two years as Eastern's defensive coordinator.

His first season in 2017 Eastern gave up 354 yards per game 3902 total yards on the season; both figures were third-worst in the OVC.

Everything came crashing down for Fowler's system in 2018. The yards per game figure ballooned to



Micah Smith



Alvah Hansbro



Adam Gristick



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Former Eastern head coach Kim Dameron looks on from the sideline during his team's 48-41 loss to Murray State on Oct. 6. Only three members from Dameron's coaching staff remain with the program after his non-renewal.

492, and the total yards on the season went up to 5412.

The defense gave up 40.5 points per game in 2018 compared to just 26 in 2017.

Fowler could not be reached for

comment.

A coaching search to find Dameron's replacement began immediately for Eastern. All Michael would say about the search via Moser's email was that there has

been a great deal of interest in the position and the search is moving forward.

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# Men's basketball blows out Fontbonne

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Nearly a week after a blowout loss to Fort Wayne, Eastern's men's basketball team decided it was its turn to get a blowout win.

It was apparent after the first three minutes of play that the men's basketball team was going to dominate Fontbonne University, in what turned out to be a 90-37 victory for Eastern.

Eastern led 9-6, 3:17 into the first half, but Fontbonne would not score for the next eight minutes.

During that time span, Eastern went on a 14-0 run, until Gus Kleekamp made a free throw for Fontbonne to momentarily stop the Panthers' scoring streak.

Kashawn Charles led Eastern during the run with five points, off a pull-up jump shot a few feet inside the arc and with a three-pointer from the top of the key.

For almost the entire game, any time Fontbonne would score a basket, Eastern would either match it or go on a scoring run of its own. The most Eastern led in the game was by 55 with 3:42 left in the game, 87-32.

Eastern had the advantage in size and speed, and, quite frankly, Fontbonne is a Division III school.

Charles led all scorers in the first half and finished the game with a game-high 21 points on 8-10 shooting, including 4-5 from three-point land. He also had a free throw from a four-point play.

Charles said, "I was just finding my shots. I wasn't really searching for them; they just came to me."

Head coach Jay Spoonhour said Charles can score and he knows how to get his own shots.

"Some guys can shoot, but they

can never get a shot off," Spoonhour said. "He knows where to go. He's a good player and he's going to help us."

Out of all the Panthers who played in the first half alone, nine of the 11 scored and had at least three points. For the entirety of the game, every Panther who played, save one, scored at least three points.

Four Panthers, JaQualis Matlock, Braxton Shaw, Ben Harvey and Charles, finished the game in double figures.

Two big things Spoonhour and the team focused on coming into the game was staying in front of defenders and playing better defense all around, and getting into the lane more on offense.

"I thought we concentrated pretty well (defensively)," Spoonhour said. "We have worked on it the last couple days, but we have got to stay in front. You can't back off of people you have to pressure them."

The Panthers have heavily favored taking jump shots in the last few games and have not gotten inside scoring well, but Eastern finished the game with 34 points in the paint, led by Matlock, who had 14 points all from inside scoring.

But getting into the lane better is what helped Eastern's offense flourish, Charles said.

"I feel like we drove (to the lane) pretty good, got a lot of post touches, got it in-and-out," he said.

Eastern's next game is Saturday at 7 p.m., when the Panthers travel to Macomb in what will be a rematch game for Western Illinois, after losing to Eastern in overtime in Lantz Arena 68-66 on Nov. 17.

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Rade Kukobat jumps for a lay in with four Fontbonne defenders watching during Eastern's 90-37 victory in Lantz Arena Tuesday.

## Win over Fontbonne was exactly what Eastern needed

Oscar Rzodkiewicz

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Eastern has begun the season with big wins, big losses and a sub-.500 record, but Tuesday night's 90-37 win over Fontbonne University may just be the confidence booster and team connector the Panthers need.

Fontbonne is no college basketball powerhouse; in fact, the school is looking up at Eastern from Division III, but the commanding win can still give the Panthers reason to believe that they have the talent to compete at a higher level.

The talk of Eastern basketball prior to the season was the litany of new faces hitting the hardwood, and clearly it can take time for a variety of new guys to gel no matter how talented.

However, in a 30-game season, losses from inexperience or lack of togetherness can pile up, and a win against even the most inconsequential of opponents helps both the raw win column as well as the connection between players.

Head coach Jay Spoonhour said, "It will get better, and it will get worse at times, and we'll just have to stay after it, but I thought we did fine."

The game was out of hand with nearly 30 minutes left to play, but the intensity from Eastern remained steady, as game-high scorer sophomore Kashawn Charles actively kept talking to head coach Jay Spoonhour



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Josiah Wallace shoots a three-pointer from the corner during the Panthers' 90-37 rout of Fontbonne University in Lantz Arena Tuesday night.

well into the second half.

Charles averaged just 4.7 points per game heading into the night be-

fore dropping 21 points in 18 minutes of game time.

"I felt pretty good shooting it the

first couple shots, so I knew it was gonna be a good night, but I really wanted to get everybody involved,"

Charles said. "It was a night where everybody could score points."

Two highlight plays—a dunk and a bucket despite a foul under a minute later—gave junior JaQualis Matlock his four first half points.

Matlock responded in the second half with five more buckets to finish 7-9 for the night despite going into the game just 9-37 on the season.

Matlock and Charles got an opportunity to boost their confidence levels after slow starts to the year, and maybe it will pay off for weeks to come.

The best part of a blowout win is that many of the players that seldom receive significant minutes stay on the floor for big bunches, and that was no exception with every single player getting at least 15 minutes of game time.

Junior Logan Koch has managed just 25 minutes of game time this season before the matchup in Fontbonne, but that did not stop him from posting 15 minutes and two deep three-pointers against the Griffins.

Eastern has proven that they have talented scorers, impressive athletes and a strong basketball IQ.

What they need to prove to stay in the conference race come February and March is a cohesiveness and adaptability, and wins like these can do exactly that.

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